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Forgotten heroes to be recognized



U.S. Senate passes "Code Talkers Recognition Act"

By John Kozlowski
Staff Writer

For the past three years Rob Roberts (Ho-Chunk/Meskaki) and his wife, Diana (Blackfoot/Lakota Sioux) have traveled regularly from their home in Montour, Iowa seeking to fulfill a dream. Since learning that Rob's uncle, Dewey Roberts, Sr. served as a Meskwaki Code Talker during World War II, the couple has contacted government officials and veteran agencies seeking recognition, not just for the Meskwaki, but for all Code Talkers, who beginning in World War I, used their Native Language to help the United States and its allies.

The couple's work was rewarded and their dream fulfilled when on September 20 the United States Senate unanimously passed **S.1035, The Code Talkers Recognition Act**. Introduced by Sen. Chuck Grassley (R-IA), the legislation authorizes the presentation of Commemorative Congressional Gold Medals on behalf of Congress to Native Americans who served as Code Talkers during

foreign conflicts in which the United States was involved during the 20th century. The legislation must now pass in the House of Representatives before being

including Iowa's Meskwaki, served as Code Talkers during World War II. Congress has already recognized the courageous service of Navajo Code Talkers. We are

In 2000 Congress voted to award Congressional Gold Medals to the original 29 Navajo Code Talkers and Congressional Silver Medals to the nearly 400 Navajo that followed. These medals were presented to the



Code Talkers Advocates, Rob and Diana Roberts

signed by the President. Senator Tom Harkin (D-IA) stated "the use of these codes is credited with saving thousands of lives. Until recently, however, only the Navajos and the Navajo Code were given broad recognition and credit. But, in fact, at least 17 other tribes,

now recognizing the service and sacrifice of all the Code Talkers and awarding Congressional Commemorative Medals to all these heroes."

In recent years the Navajo Code Talkers have been the subject of books, documentaries and a movie.

Code Talkers or their next of kin by President Bush in 2001.

When they learned that Dewey Roberts, Sr. was a Code Talker, Rob and Diana started their research,

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Nation still awaiting word on past General Council actions

BIA yet to rule on resolutions submitted for a Secretarial Election

By John Kozlowski
Staff Writer

With this year's General Council to be held on November 11, it seems like a good time to review the status of resolutions passed by members at the 2004 and 2005 General Councils that were later submitted to the BIA for the purpose of holding a Secretarial Election. Secretarial Elections are held under the authority of the BIA and are held to determine changes to the Constitution of a tribe. Any constitution or bylaws ratified and approved by the

Secretary of the Interior shall be put before the voters in an open election.

On February 19, 2005 the Ho-Chunk Nation submitted to the BIA the nine resolutions approved by members at the 2004 General Council and at that time it was expected that a vote on some or all of the nine would be held within one year. When asked why the Secretarial Election has not yet been held, Dave Christianson of the BIA Office in Minneapolis stated that the resolutions submitted in 2005 were reviewed by a Solicitor's Office and just recently returned to his office, where they await further review. Resolutions passed at the 2005 General Council were submitted to the BIA earlier this year and are also being reviewed.

Resolution 10-23-04A was the result of resolutions passed at the 2003 General Council that proposes seven changes to the Ho-Chunk Nation Constitution. The changes include:

- The requirement of a DNA testing to prove a child's parentage.
- Members of the Legislature shall serve four-year terms not to exceed to consecutive terms, which shall be staggered.
- Members of the Legislature shall receive a reasonable compensation of \$43,680 per year. An increase or decrease in the compensation for legislators shall take effect at each General Council pending a performance evaluation by General Council. An annual increase shall not exceed 2. %.
- The Department of Health and

Social Services shall be effectively separated into separate departments; the Health Department and the Social Services Department.

- The President shall have the power to veto the actions of the Legislature. A two-third vote of the entire Legislature would be required to override the veto.
- The President shall receive a reasonable compensation of \$52,000 per year. An annual increase or decrease shall take effect at each General Council, pending a performance evaluation by General Council. An annual increase shall not exceed 2. %.
- The President shall serve four year terms not to exceed two

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eventually learning that original Code Talkers were 18 Choctaw serving in World War I, a time when Native Americans were not yet recognized as United States citizens. They later learned that men from at least 17 other tribes used their Native language to help the military and began the work to have these men receive the recognition that they earned and deserve.

During a period when many Native people were being sent to boarding schools and punished for speaking their language, Diana said, "it's ironic that the same languages were used to win the war. They

helped save thousands of lives and millions of dollars worth of equipment. It (the recognition) is long overdue." Because the Navajos and other Code Talkers were not allowed to share their stories until being "declassified" by the military in 1968, the exact number of Code Talkers will never be known. Sworn to secrecy, Rob stated, "they were men of honor. Many took their secret to the grave."

Though it could be argued that men of other tribes could have served as Code Talkers, Rob and Diana said that so far only men from 17 tribes have been identified. "It has to be proven," Rob said, a

difficult task in that many of the men are now deceased.

In a report presented to the Senate in 2004, William C. Meadows, an Assistant Professor of Anthropology at Southwest Missouri State University in Springfield, MO, identified the contributing tribes and how they used their language. Coded communications were distinguished as: Type I- Formally developed and special coded-encoded vocabularies used with Native American languages, for example the Navajo Code Talkers established their own code within their language, or Type 2- The informal use of everyday non-

coded Native American languages. In his report he stressed, "most importantly none of the Native American languages or codes used in the United States Armed Forces are known to have ever been broken by enemy forces. Their contributions provided a much faster means of communication than traditional cryptographic systems using systems of encoding and decoding. Their willingness to serve reflects not only a pride in their own cultures but their willingness to assist the United States Government, who until 1934 continued to maintain numerous legal limitations on Indian rights, in the defense of the Nation."

The following tribes have presented documentation that some

of their members were Code Talkers. When possible the number who served is in parenthesis:

World War I: Cherokee, Cheyenne, Choctaw (15), Comanche, Osage, Yankton Sioux. World War II: Assiniboine, Cherokee, Chippewa/Oneida (17), Choctaw, Comanche (17), Hopi (11), Kiowa (3), Menominee, Muscogee/Creek and Seminole, Navajo (420), Pawnee, Sac and Fox-Meskwaiki-19, Sioux (Lakota and Dakota dialects).

Rob expects S.1035 to come before the House of Representatives when members return to session following the November elections. The couple doesn't expect to slow down their effort until the legislation is signed by the President.

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consecutive terms. The President shall serve until a successor has been sworn into office. The President shall be elected by the majority of the eligible voters of the Ho-Chunk Nation.

Resolution 10-23-04E has language that changes reapportionment from every five years to every ten years. However, the language requires reapportionment every ten years beginning in the year 1995. The Secretary may or may not interpret the amendment to take effect only after passage by valid majority of a vote in a Secretarial Election, instead of retroactively.

Resolution 10-23-04N requests a Constitutional change regarding educational qualifications for members of the Legislature. The proposed language adds possession of a four-year degree to the qualifications of members of the Legislature.

On November 23, 2003, former Ho-Chunk Nation Attorney General, David Klauser presented President George Lewis and the Legislature his opinion of the 12 resolutions passed at the 2005 General Council. On six of the resolutions members requested that it be forwarded to the Secretary of the Interior for the purpose of placing the resolution on a Secretarial Election ballot.

Resolution 9-17-05D would require that the Chief Justice of the Ho-Chunk Nation Supreme Court be an enrolled member of the Ho-Chunk Nation.

Resolution 9-17-05G proposed that Trial Court Justices, including the Chief Justice be elected, not appointed by the Legislature.

Resolution 9-17-05H asks that any treaty, compacts, contracts and agreements with other governments, organizations or individuals approved by the Legislature be subject to a Presidential Veto. A 3/4 majority vote by the Legislature would be needed to overturn that veto.

Resolution 9-17-05I seeks to

expand the scope of the Presidential Veto, giving the President the authority to veto any action of the Legislature.

Resolution 9-17-05R proposes to amend the Ho-Chunk Constitution by giving more authority to General Council.

Resolution 9-17-05S seeks to amend Article X, Section 1 of the Constitution by adding, "The Ho-Chunk Nation shall be immune from suit except to the extent that the Legislature expressly waives its sovereign immunity and officials and employees of the Ho-Chunk Nation acting within the scope of their duties or authority shall be immune from suit.

In his review, Klauser noted that because **Resolution 9-17-05H** and **Resolution 9-17-05I** appear to be in conflict it is important that the requests be submitted to the Department of Interior in a certain order because of the process used when addressing conflicting proposals. "In those instances where conflicting proposals to amend a single constitutional or charter provision are submitted," he wrote, "that proposal first received by the officer in charge, if found valid, shall be placed before the voters before consideration is given to any other proposals."

Currently the Department of Justice is unable to confirm the status of any of the resolutions submitted.

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Putting their lives together

Two tribal members share personal drug stories

By John Kozlowicz
Staff Writer

Tribal members Victor and Renea, both in their early 30’s, share more than the bond of being brother and sister. The siblings are both recovering drug abusers, who after having lost their homes, possessions and children, are now in the process of putting their lives back together.

Speaking to a small group of adults at the Ho-Chunk Health Clinic on October 20, the couple shared their stories; detailing their history of drug use, the price they paid and how they hope their stories will serve as a warning to others. Prior to their speaking, AODA Counselor, Terri Littlewolf, noted that “we know its (Crystal Meth) prevalent in the community,” adding that she hopes the couple’s stories will help others realize that Ho-Chunk members, particularly the youth, are not immune to the problem and that the time to act is now.

Victor, who like his sister, grew up in California, admits “I’m still struggling every day but I now realize that drugs took away from me my life and that God must have saved me.” In drug recovery for three years, before his drug use he seemed on his way to a normal life. Introduced to speed when attending college and working a part-time job, everything changed and a promising future was self-destructed. “My father was a heroin user,” he said, and despite knowing what it did to him, the availability of the drug, along with the company he kept, presented a temptation that he could not overcome. Explaining that like with all drugs, users of speed eventually need to take more to obtain the same high; Victor said that his first priority was getting the money needed to buy the drug. Although he dropped out of school and was working a second job needed to afford the drug, Victor was, on the surface, surviving. After nearly 10 years of taking the drug, a period during which he got married and had children, he began experimenting with Crystal Meth, “the devil’s dandruff” and starting sinking toward new lows. Speed helped take away a productive future, the new drug helped take away everything else. “I used once and became addicted,” he said. During his one year of meth use, a habit he shared with his ex-wife, Victor lost his job; the couple lost their home, all their possessions and their children were taken away. “I’d do anything for the drug,” he said, including stealing, to support the habit. “Meth tricks you,” he said, recalling that although he was aware of what he was doing and what he was losing, he didn’t care. “I felt no emotion.”

Along with the physical changes associated with meth use; including a loss of appetite and boundless energy, Victor starting hearing “the voices.” One voice, who Victor calls “Moses” insisted “don’t leave, everything’s OK.” The other stronger voice said, “if I don’t leave I’m going to die.” In a rare moment of clear thinking, Victor made a choice. “It is, all about choices,” he said. Looking for a way out, he contacted the Ho-Chunk AODA and arrangements were made for he and his wife to stay at Keystone, a rehab clinic in South Dakota. Unable to free herself of the demons, his wife left the center but Victor recalled, “I knew I had to stay.” After his release he went back to California to face criminal charges and after being clean for 45 days, “Moses’ came back and I started using again.” Suddenly realizing the importance of staying sober, a requirement to get his children

back, Victor made another choice. Deciding that a change in environment was his only hope, he came to Wisconsin in 2003, “with nothing more than a suitcase full of clothes.”

Provided living quarters by the Ho-Chunk Nation in Wisconsin Dells, Victor started working, stayed off drugs and traveled back to California to see his children, still living under a temporary guardianship arrangement with his ex-in-laws. He also saw his now ex-wife and “I didn’t recognize her.” He said that her pale complexion, sunk-in eyes, distorted face and weight gain were signs that she was still using and he also learned she was now in an abusive situation. “My kids got to stay with me for the summer,” he said, and he hoped to get them back permanently when another “devil” appeared. Replacing meth use with alcohol led to receiving an OWI, a 90-day sentence and subsequent job loss.

Now alcohol free for seven months, Victor stated that although ‘Moses’ comes every once in a while, the voices have calmed down. He is optimistic that he will stay clean, be working again and get his children back. “Lucky to be alive,” he noted that his seven-year-old son has been his biggest advocate and now after repeated mistakes looks forward to raising all his children. “I also now understand that an addiction can’t be cured but it can be arrested,” he said. Taking it one step at a time, he considers each drug and alcohol free day as a step toward getting his children back.

Prison a part of her past

Following time served in prisons and mental institutions on drug related incidents, Renea is also determined to “break the cycle” that sometimes results in drugs taking over generations of families. Drug free for 15 months, she is proud “that for the first time I feel that I’m in control of my life,” a life that includes a new husband and 18-month-old daughter.

From the time since she joined a gang and started using drugs at age 14, Renea has suffered the consequences of illegal drug use. Like Victor, she has lost her children from a previous relationship and after almost a lifetime spent using, manufacturing and distributing drugs, now seems determined to turn her life around.

Recalling that her real family molested her and “the gang became my family,” Renea’s story includes time served in prison, mental institutions and nine treatment centers before arriving at Keystone, “The last and best one.”

After a young life experimenting with various drugs, including heroin, Renea became “meth dependent,” admitting that the drug helped keep her mind off her other problems. “I never stopped, even in prison,” she said, adding that the drug use among people behind bars would shock those on the outside. In and out of institutions for nearly 20 years, she stated that when released she would always go back with the same people, in the same environment and have the same problems. Looking back, she said that while she’s not using it as an excuse, she now believes that her dyslexia damaged her ability to understand what needed to be done.

She believes that her first breakthrough was meeting John Funmaker, a Ho-Chunk member who serves as a volunteer helping primarily Native Americans incarcerated in California. “I went to a ‘sweat’ with John and he gave me hope.” Though her drug use continued upon her release, “my per cap money went to buy meth making supplies,” it was not until

Casinos staffs “battle” on the field

By John Kozlowicz
Staff Writer

On October 24, on an afternoon perhaps better suited for football, staff members from Ho-Chunk and Rainbow Casinos held a “challenge” softball game in Nekoosa.

Samantha Day, an employee at Ho-Chunk Casino and one of the organizers of the event, said that the game was scheduled as an opportunity for the two staffs “just

to get together and have some fun. We all do the same things and never see each other.”

For the record, Rainbow Casino won the game 21-15. Highlights included a few good hits and fielding plays. Though some “swings and misses” were also seen, throughout the game every seemed to be having a good time playing and engaging in competitive banter.

Participants for Ho-Chunk Casino were: Jim Moritz, Alisa Logan, Sam Griner, Samantha Day, Harry Cholka, Lisa Keikew, Laura Masiulewicz, Diana Kaun, Andrea Akkerman and Josh Lamb.

Rainbow players included: Dave Abangan, Tracy Pecore, Bonnie Twinn, Erica Cloud, Barb Kelley, Laurie and Gwen Osowski, Richard Walker, Chad Gilbertson, Grady Stewart and Darren Brinegar.



Rainbow Casino Team



Ho-Chunk Casino Team

her meth addicted daughter was born in 2005 that she decided, “I needed help. I didn’t understand my child would be taken away.” She followed her brother to Keystone and now has custody of her healthy daughter.

“It’s easy to get addicted to both the drug and the lifestyle,” she said, and agreed with Victor that a change in environment was critical to her recovery. “I, too still hear the voices,” she said, “but not as much.” Dealing with her dyslexia has allowed her to read the Bible “to silence the voices.” She noted that that while she has made some mistakes in her life, most notably allowing her drug addiction to cost her custody of her previous children, she is proud to for the first time have a “real job” and some stability in her life.

Although the drugs are out there, Victor and Renea agree that to use or not use them is a personal choice and both regret making the wrong choice in the past. For all they have lost, they both feel fortunate that while they were both “near the bottom,” unlike so many others they never hit the “real bottom-death.”

Though they didn’t realize it at the time, both credited the “tough love” provided by their mother and others for saving their lives. “The tough love eventually made us both realize we were destroying ourselves,” Victor said.

Neither wants anyone to suffer the losses they did because of drug abuse and in the near future would like to share their stories with Ho-Chunk youth. “Crystal meth has a language of its own,” Renea warned. By sharing their stories the couple would like to keep others from repeating their mistakes.

Those who would like to learn more about methamphetamine and its side effects or suspect someone may be using the drug are encouraged to contact AODA at the Health Center in Black River Falls, the House of Wellness in Baraboo or a Ho-Chunk Community Health Office.

Tribal Census alert

Tribal members, Nettie Kingsley and Faye White are currently gathering and analyzing data from the Ho-Chunk Nation Tribal Census, “an official count of the population.” The census is vital to the Nation when applying for contract and grant money in that federal agencies require that the Nation use factual statistical data when applying for funding.

Currently the Nation provides data using 1994 numbers when the Nation had only 2000 members and an accurate, updated number is needed for the Nation to receive adequate funding for its programs. Because the current federal funding has not allowed the Nation to meet its needs, the Nation has had to use the Net Profit Distribution Money from its gaming sources, the same money used to determine tribal per capita payments. In some cases this has resulted in programs or services being cut or discontinued.

The census data is also vital to the Nation’s redistricting, giving planners an idea of where funding is needed to establish, continue or expand programs in certain areas. The Constitution requires the Legislature to maintain an updated an accurate census. Because it is important for all Ho-Chunk members to respond to the census, officials ask that tribal members take a few minutes and respond to the census.

Faye White and Nettie Kingsley can both be contacted at the Department of Labor, located in the Executive Building, Black River Falls. Both can be reached at 800-294-9343. Nettie’s extension is 1159, Faye extension is 1149.

Pinigigi to all those that have already filled out and returned the census.
Ho-Chunk Nation Census Staff
October 24, 2006

NOTICE

Ho-Chunk Department of Heritage
Preservation Board of Directors Meeting

10:00 a.m.

Wednesday, November 15, 2006
at
HCN Tribal Office building
W9814 Airport Road
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The November 3, 2006 Enrollment Conference has been postponed until February 2007. We apologize for the inconvenience that this may cause.

Sincerely,

Enrollment staff and Committee






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All Nation business loans are for businesses located in Jackson, Monroe, Sauk, Juneau, Wood and Shawano counties for loan ranges: \$5,000 to \$35,000 for new or existing businesses with 25% match required and additional pre-qualifying credit report.

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For more details please visit our website: www.hochunkmall.com, "Loan Programs." All Tribal member owned, operated and managed 51% small businesses may also advertise free – (see website guidelines). Application required.

For application materials, program criteria, and business planning guidelines, please contact the Small Business Division: 1-800-294-9343 Ext. 1140 or smallbiz@ho-chunk.com.

All Business Loan Applications Due:
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By 4:30 p.m. In Our Office

VETERANS DAY REMINDER: MILITARY SERVICE AND SOCIAL SECURITY

By: Bruce W. Schultz
Social Security Public Affairs Specialist

Each year, on November 11, America observes Veterans Day and honors the men and women who have served in our nation’s Armed Forces. Many of our Vietnam era veterans are now in their late 50s or early 60s and are nearing retirement age. It is important that they – and other American service personnel—know just what retirement benefits they can count on from Social Security as they make their future financial plans.

Like most of the civilian workforce, all current military personnel pay Social Security taxes and earn Social Security coverage. In fact, earnings for active duty military service or active duty training have been covered under Social Security since 1957. Also, service personnel who then had inactive duty service in the reserves (such as weekend drills) have had Social Security coverage since 1988.

The number of credits an individual needs to qualify for Social Security depends on his or her age and the type of benefit.

Any future Social Security benefit payment depends on a person’s earnings, averaged over a working lifetime. Generally, the higher a person’s earnings, the higher his or her Social Security benefit will be.

In addition to regular military pay, Social Security adds special earnings credits to an individual’s Social Security record when he or she serves in the military. The extra earnings are for periods of active duty or active duty training. If, for example, a person served in the military between 1957 and 1977, he or she has been credited with \$300 in additional earnings for each calendar quarter in which active duty basic pay was earned. These extra earnings may help someone qualify for Social Security or increase the amount of the Social Security benefit.

And remember that Social Security is more than retirement. If a worker becomes disabled before reaching retirement age, his or her family may be eligible for Social Security disability benefits. Also, if a worker dies, the spouse and dependent children may be eligible for Social Security survivors benefits.

If you would like more information, you can read the fact sheet, *Military Service and Social Security*, which is available on our website at www.socialsecurity.gov/pubs/10017.html. Or you can call 1-800-772-1213 (TTY: 1-800-325-0778) and ask for a copy to be mailed to you.

Also, veterans and others who are within 10 years of retirement age should begin more careful planning for retirement. A good place to start is with Social Security’s retirement planner at www.socialsecurity.gov/retire2/. This planner provides detailed information about Social Security retirement benefits and points out things to consider as you prepare for the future. You can use the calculators to test out different retirement ages or different future earnings amounts. If you are already near retirement age, you will find instructions on how to apply for benefits and what supporting documents you will need to submit.

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Ho-Chunk Customs

The Ho-Chunk Nation is fortunate to preserve the customs of our ancestors. We are one of very few tribes that still have their ceremonies and social gatherings intact. First are the Medicine Lodge ceremonies –the feast lodge and all of the small ceremonies connected with each ceremony. We have a Man’s Warrior society, a part of this ceremony is the scalp dance. This is a woman’s ceremony and dance. These are going to this day and are held on certain times of the year. Another segment of our people are the different games of our people – Moccasin games, women’s dice game, lacrosse, cup & ball dice, football, and the running games or races including horse racing. Another ceremony is the funeral wake which consists of four days and also there are ceremonies which are a part of the wakes. We also have the stories and also musical instrument of our people. The many things that are too numerous to mention such as the clan system of our people and their duties. These are what is important to our people including the preservation of our sacred language.

Dance

A means of expressing themselves was through the dance. In this exercise we will try to explain the

different traditional dance styles of the Hockak people. The scalp dance –inside of the lodge during the night session – moving out of the lodge to the entrance of the lodge to dance around the pole and singers – The women’s dance in the feast lodge on the women’s side of the lodge. Over two hundred years ago we received the haylushca from the Sioux people through the Chippewa Nation. This gift from the Creator was in the form of a large drum. The intent was to stop Warfare between tribes on this continent and meet on a neutral ground. This was the haylushca dance as it was given to us by the Chippewa people. This was the fore runner of the Pow-Wow as we know it today. This came yesterday as we described it and is not one of our original dances but we try to include this as one of our dances. An attempt is currently being made to try to change this thinking of our people to include it as a part of our original culture. We use this dance as a social dance and attempt to say we can use is as an excuse to miss work, school, or other excuse are not in keeping of our people.

Kenneth Funmaker Sr.
Wamani – Snow Walker – Bear Clan
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Thank you to Cindy Lonetree for the outstanding help and comfort she provided at Ho-Chunk Casino on our wedding day, September 2.

Also thank you to Judy Buffalo, who friendship brought good times. A special thank you to Ona Garvin, who not only brought fun and good wishes but the memories of my father along with her. Pinagaga, Marilyn DeCora and the Doddridge Homett family

KAREN LINCOLN MICHEL ELECTED UNITY PRESIDENT

McLean, Va. – Karen Lincoln Michel, state bureau chief of the Green Bay Press-Gazette in Wisconsin, has been elected president of UNITY: Journalists of Color Inc. for the 2007-2009 term.

The 17-member UNITY board of directors unanimously elected Lincoln Michel, a past president of the Native American Journalists Association (NAJA), on Saturday during the board’s fall meeting at the alliance’s headquarters in McLean.

Lincoln Michel will lead the board in governing UNITY, a strategic alliance of journalists of color that advocates for positive change to advance their presence, growth and leadership in the fast-changing global news industry. This alliance includes the Asian American Journalists Association (AAJA), National Association of Black Journalists (NABJ), the National Association of Hispanic Journalists (NAHJ) and NAJA – and represents more than 10,000 members.

“We are in a time of great change in our industry, and in the world we cover as journalists,” Lincoln Michel said. “UNITY and all journalists of color have a stake in the future of the news business, and it is my hope that our organization will play a major role in shaping a new course.”

Lincoln Michel has served on the UNITY board for more than six years between 1994 and this year. She served as a communications liaison for the UNITY ’99 convention in Seattle and currently serves as vice president of the Woodland chapter of NAJA.

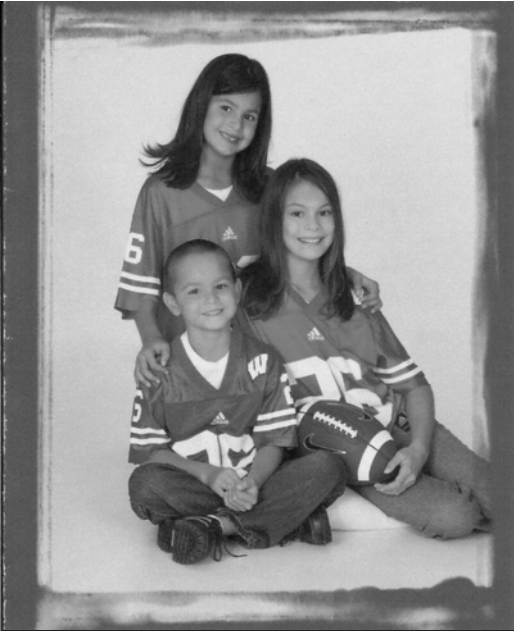
Lincoln Michel, who was unopposed in the election, succeeds Mae Cheng, a regional editor with Newsday in Melville, N. Y. whose two-year term ends Dec. 31.

“I am delighted that Karen was elected to lead UNITY,” Cheng said. “There is not another leader who has the depth and experience with UNITY and the strong leadership skills that Karen possesses. She is passionate about the organization and its goals and she has the will to carry UNITY to new heights.”

The UNITY board also selected as vice president Aki Soga, business editor at The Burlington (Vt.) Free Press. Soga succeeds NABJ Bryan Monroe, who recently became vice president and editorial director for Ebony & Jet magazines. John Yearwood, world editor of the Miami Herald and current NABJ treasurer, will become UNITY’s new treasurer. Yearwood succeeds Javier Aldape, editor and vice president of Diario Hoy in Chicago. And Rafael Olmeda, assistant city editor at the South Florida Sun-Sentinel and recently elected NAHJ president, will serve as secretary.

More than 10,000 people are expected to attend UNITY’s convention, July 23-27, 2008, in Chicago. UNITY ’04 brought more than 8,100 attendees to Washington, making it the largest convention of journalists in U.S. history.

Happy Birthday Grandson Dash
“Waka Jaco” 11/20/05
From Coka Levi, Sisters-Jazmyn, Brooklyn, and Niece Candace
Birthday Party at Cokas on 11/18/06 at 6:00 P.M.



To all of our family we love you and miss you!
Love, Hailey, Cyan and Chance
Blackdeer
Parents: Chad Blackdeer
Carrie (Wunderlin) Reuter
Gaga: Christina Blackdeer



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NATIONAL AMERICAN INDIAN HERITAGE MONTH, 2006 BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

A PROCLAMATION

During National American Indian Heritage Month, we honor the generations of American Indians and Alaska Natives who have added to the character of our Nation. This month is an opportunity to celebrate their many accomplishments and their rich ancestry and traditions.

America is blessed by the character and strength of American Indians and Alaska Natives, and our citizens are grateful for the countless ways Native Americans have enriched our country and lifted the spirit of our Nation. We are especially grateful for the Native Americans who have served and continue to serve in our Nation’s military. These brave individuals have risked their lives to protect our citizens, defend our democracy, and spread the blessings of liberty to people around the world.

My Administration is working to ensure that American Indians and Alaska Natives have access to all the opportunities of this great land. My fiscal year 2007 budget proposes more than \$12.7 billion for government programs for Native Americans. Education is vital to ensuring all citizens reach their full potential, and my budget includes funding to help Native-American schools succeed and meet the requirements of the No Child Left Behind Act. The Bureau of Indian Affairs is providing education for approximately 46,000 American-Indian and Alaska-Native children. To help keep Native Americans safe, I have also proposed to increase law enforcement personnel and improve law enforcement facilities in American-Indian communities. My Administration will continue to work on a government-to-government basis with tribal governments, honor the principles of tribal sovereignty and the right to self-determination, and help ensure America remains a land of promise for American Indians, Alaska Natives, and all our citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE W. BUSH, President of the United States of America , by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the United States , do hereby proclaim November 2006 as National American Indian Heritage Month. I call upon all Americans to commemorate this month with appropriate programs and activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this thirtieth day of October, in the year of our Lord two thousand six, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-first.

GEORGE W. BUSH

Southland Ho-Chunk Sports and Expo Center hosts First Annual Pow-wow

By Paul Arentz
Editor

In the recent past the Nation’s purchase of land in the far south suburbs of Chicago, Illinois has been a topic of debate not only among tribal members but also among the residents of Lynwood, Illinois. This is the land which we have reported on in the past that the Nation had purchased with the hope of seeing a large casino developed in order to help increase revenues. With the Sports and Expo Center playing host to ESPN Boxing, Soccer leagues and other groups renting the facility for various community events, the center played host to its’ first pow-wow. Tribal member and pow-wow committee Chairman Matt Mullen stated, it was great to see Ho-Chunks come back and gather together on lands that were once occupied by the tribe. Matt continued, it took many people to make this first pow-wow a success. He extended the following recognition to the Legislature for funding the pow wow, President Lewis, Legislator Mike Goze, M.C. Chris Gryzlick, co-M.C. Elliott Funmaker Sr., Arena Director Bobby Bird Sr., Men’s Dance Judge-Charles Hindsley, Women’s Dance Judge-Dee Logan, Head Dancers-Fletcher Collins and Rita Kingswan, the many craft and food vendors, the many dancers and drum groups, Pam Viner from the Ho-Chunk Nation Business Department, the Expo Center employees, Mary Beth Palka, the Native American Iron Workers School, Robert Smith the Master soundman, Sanford WhiteEagle American Legion Post 556, Post 556 Auxiliary, community members and people of other tribes that made this a success. Matt also said that the pow-wow committee—Mike Mullen, Mary Mullen, Joann Maney (treasurer), John Dall and Fawn Stumbling Bear worked hard to make this all come together. Mullen added that the Sports and Expo Center will be playing host to a regular soccer league from November 1st 2006 thru March 2007.

Carrying in the flags were; American Flag-Paul Cloud, Post 556 Eagle Staff-Joe WhiteEagle Sr., American Indian Center Eagle Staff-Michael Pamonicutt (Menomonie), P.O.W./M.I.A. Flag-Tim Hanson, Ho-Chunk Nation Flag-Karen Green, and the Post 556 Flag-Marcus WhiteEagle. Supporting them were ladies of the Post 556 Auxiliary; Sarah WhiteEagle, Marie WhiteEagle, Alicia WhiteEagle, Annie Tallmadge, Tiffany King, Courtney White, and Rose Cloud.

Host Drum-Bear Heart (Wis. Dells), Co-host Drum Hu Jope (Winnebago,NB), Co-host Drum Raining Thunder (Cumberland,WI). Contest Drums: Black Bear (Pawnee,OK), Thunder Bear (Wisc. Rapids,WI), Buffalo Horse (Duluth,MN), Keres Nation (San Felipe,NM), Pipestone (L.C.O., WI).



Southland Ho-Chunk Sports and Expo Center

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WELCOME TO THE HO-CHUNK NATION HEALTH PAGES

These health pages are coming to you once a month in hopes to assist you in finding the health information and schedule of health events you are looking for. Please contact Linda Lowery, Diabetes/Cardiovascular Risk Reduction Coordinator at 715-284-9851 ext. 5343 if you would like a particular topic covered in future issues. If you have any questions with the articles submitted please refer your question to the author of the article.

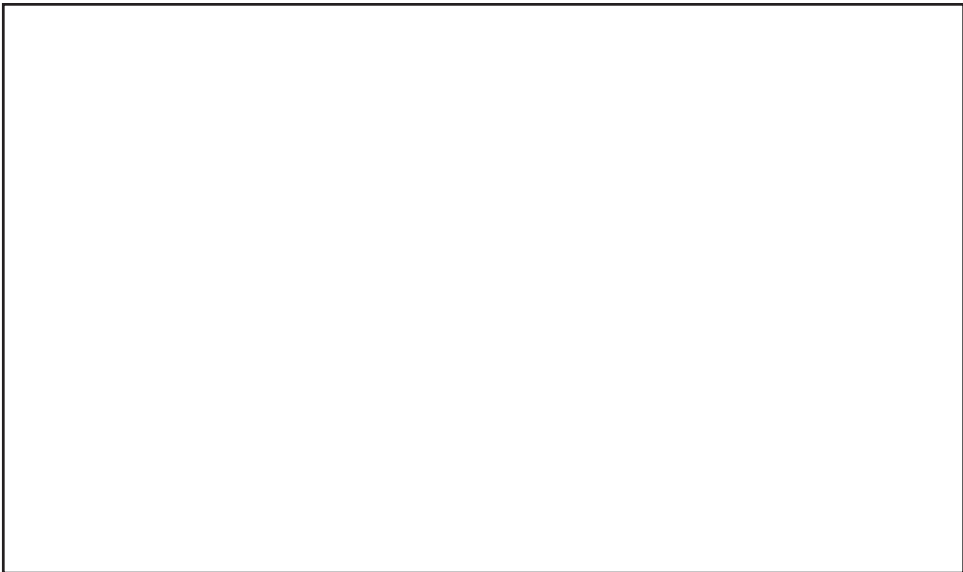


Are Patients with Diabetes (PWD) Better Controlling this Disease?

Each year the Diabetes Team completes an audit of diabetes care between the two clinics (Ho Chunk Health Care Center and the House of Wellness). Although the Ho Chunk Nation’s Health Department staff is encouraging patients with diabetes (PWD) to reach 6.5 A1C, Indian Health Service recognizes < 7.0 A1C as optimal control.

According to the attached graph, PWD are improving their A1C results.

The trend is showing that more PWD are in better control and have on record <7.0 A1C.



November is Diabetes Awareness Month

Linda Lowery, Diabetes/Cardiovascular Risk Reduction Coordinator

With November being Diabetes Awareness Month I would like to take this opportunity to briefly explain what diabetes is and what the Ho-Chunk Nation is doing to help combat this silent disease.

Diabetes is simply too much sugar or glucose in the blood. Blood sugar comes from food. The body uses this blood sugar for energy and the cells within the body use this blood sugar to do their work (energy). Some people cannot get the blood sugar into the cells. The sugar stays in the blood and as a result they get high blood sugar. Insulin is a hormone made by the pancreas. Insulin is needed to help keep the blood sugar level in a normal range. Type 2 diabetes is the most common type of diabetes in the world and in American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) people. In type 2 diabetes, the pancreas makes insulin, but may not make enough. Also, the body cells and muscles may not allow insulin to do its work. Blood sugar cannot get into the body cells and muscles and the sugar stays in the blood. Having high blood sugar for long periods of time can cause problems with a person’s eyes, kidneys, feet, heart and gums. Controlling blood sugar will help an individual avoid these problems.

You can control your blood sugar by knowing the diabetes risk factors you can control. Those are:

- Eating healthy portions of a variety of foods especially veggies and fruit.
- Being active most days of the week.
- Keeping your weight at a healthy level.
- Controlling stress levels.
- Do not smoke, if you do...please quit
- See your healthcare provider for answers to your Diabetes awareness questions!

According to Indian Health Service, of all United States racial and ethnic groups AI/AN have the highest rates of Diabetes prevalence. In fact, AI/AN now have the highest published Diabetes prevalence in the world. In 2000, 15.1% of AI/AN aged 20 years or older had diagnosed diabetes, compared to 7.8% of Non-Hispanic whites. In some tribes, notably the Pima Indians of Arizona, over half of the adults have diabetes. However, American Diabetes Association estimates that the actual prevalence of this disease may still be 1/3 higher in many communities because of undiagnosed cases. Do all you can to prevent diabetes or the complications of diabetes. See your healthcare provider today to ask for more information about this disease!

~ ~ WE WANT YOU! ~ ~ Fun

Looking for some fun, interest to add to your routine?

Rewarding

Want rewarding adventure in your life?

Enjoyable

In search for interesting and joy in what you do?

Fulfilling

Seeking purpose, fulfillment for a healthier you, family, community?

The Diabetes Team is fun, develops enjoyable Diabetes prevention, management

programs, and reaps fulfilling rewards of community successes that revolve around healthier lifestyles.

Stop in and check out the Diabetes Team

We meet every first Tuesday of the month 9a.m. – 11:00a.m. Ho Chunk Health Care Center Community Conference Room

Learn how you can make a difference fighting Diabetes!

For more information contact:
Linda Lowery, DM/CVD Risk Reduction Coordinator
715-284-9851



HEALTH PAGES Continued

THE CHOICE IS YOURS

The information is alarming. The stats are alarming.
It has become an epidemic for all people!

Yet what are we going to do about it?

What am I talking about? ... Diabetes.

As your Diabetes Coordinator, I recently attended a conference to learn more about programs aimed at preventing diabetes and standards of care and management programs for those with diabetes. Those that attended this conference were staff or coordinators of diabetes programming from all tribes within the Bemidji Area which include tribes located in Michigan, Minnesota and Wisconsin. All throughout this conference I continued to think about all of the existing diabetes prevention and management programs the Ho Chunk Nation has and how what I was learning could be somehow implemented into those programs. As I jotted down notes and brainstormed, I noticed how everything combined came down to one common 'ground'.

The key to best health is YOU!

Whether you have diabetes or not, whether it has crept into your household, whether you have family or friends that are needing to be reminded daily of the managing forces **YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE.**

The many health staff within the health department is your health team. The health staff hold the tools (education) to help you learn how to best prevent or manage diabetes.

IT IS UP TO YOU TO CHOOSE TO USE THE EDUCATION BECAUSE **YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR HEALTH.**

So what are **YOU** going to do?

First, I would like to recommend a self-inventory of how you are doing within all of the dimensions of health (listed below, not in order of importance... they are all equally important).

Spiritual
Physical
Emotional
Social
Intellectual
Mental
Career

All dimensions of health are affected by chronic disease such as diabetes. Identify one area that may need attention and think of small steps to improve in that area. It will make a world of difference in how the other dimensions are doing as well.

Secondly, I recommend getting to know the services/ programs offered throughout the Nation. Ask your family, friends, Health staff, Legislator... they will help you in finding the resource that best fits your needs. The following is a list of programs that are specifically funded by Diabetes Prevention/Management funding sources:

- **Gather and Learn Days (Diabetes Clinics)**
 - Learn more about preventing and managing Diabetes by attending the Diabetes Clinics at either the Ho-Chunk Health Care Center (HHCC) or the House of Wellness (HOW) twice a month. Receive comprehensive care, education and a healthy light breakfast! Call either the HHCC or HOW in advance to sign up for the Diabetes Clinic! Everyone is welcome!
- **Community Mobilization events**
 - All six service areas within the Ho-Chunk Nation can plan any type of Diabetes related event in their respected areas that promote increasing activity, healthy eating, and diabetes education. Contact Linda Lowery 715-284-9851 ext. 5343 to find out who your community mobilization contact person ('funnel') is!
- **Quarterly Fitness Events**
 - The Diabetes fitness initiative team holds four activity events throughout the year for Ho-Chunk members and employees to participate in. They are designed to promote fun-filled activities that the entire family can participate in. Fitness events that are offered throughout the year include a hike, canoe trip, bike ride and a social dance. Be looking for up to date info regarding the next Fitness Initiative event!
- **In-Service – Educational Opportunities**
 - A diabetes awareness/education in-service is available for tribal members and employees throughout the Ho-Chunk Nation. This health promotion in-service educates individuals on making healthier lifestyle choices that lead to diabetes prevention and control. Interested departments or communities are encouraged to contact the Diabetes team to arrange for this in-service – (contact Linda Lowery at (715-284-9851 ext. 5343).
- **LifeStyle Balance**
 - A diabetes prevention project for persons who are at very high risk for developing diabetes. You can ask your provider or attend a LifeStyle Balance screening to better understand your level of risk. Those who qualify will attend a series of classes that include that focus on lifestyle change. For more information contact Karena Nichols, 715-284-9851 ext. 5385 or Hinu Smith, 715-284-9851 ext. 5305.

Third, participate in any of these programs and use the education or 'tools' Ho Chunk Nation's health staff (clinic and community) offers. By doing both **YOU** will be well on your way to best health.

Take steps today...

YOU have the choice, you have the power to be well!

For more information about the Ho Chunk Nation Diabetes Programming/Team please contact Linda Lowery, Diabetes/ Cardiovascular Risk Reduction Coordinator 715-284-9851 ext. 5343.

Ho-Chunk Health Care Center Diabetes Clinics

Tired of making multiple appointments for comprehensive diabetes care?

*Looking for the latest information
regarding diabetes management?
If you have answered, "yes" to either or
both of these questions, then
Diabetes Clinics may be for you!*

The Diabetes Clinics is a morning program designed to provide persons with diabetes an opportunity to meet with Diabetes Team members and receive information regarding diabetes management. Diabetes Team members include a nutritionist, nurse educator, exercise therapist, behavioral health representative, optometrist, and dentist. A nutritious breakfast is provided while participants receive diabetes education containing pertinent, up-to-date information.

Call (715) 284 – 9851 to make an appointment or have questions answered.

Held on the first and third Thursday mornings of every month at the
Ho-Chunk Health Care Center N6520 Guy Road Black River Falls, WI.

2006 Schedule

November 16	Holiday Eating Guide
December 7	Cholesterol Updates – Lipid Profile
December 21	Holiday Brunch – Diabetes Jeopardy Game

8:00-8:30a.m.: Scheduled patients will have their blood work drawn.

8:15 – 9:00: A nutritious breakfast prepared by the nutritionist is served to persons with diabetes and an accompanying caregiver.

@ 8:30: A diabetes-related education is planned with guest presenters that will speak on specific topics. (See schedule above)

9:00 – 11:30: Participants will meet with their medical provider and may also take this opportunity to schedule follow-up appointments with Diabetes Team members.

mark your calendars....

Journey of Hope to Beat Diabetes Conference

March 8 and 9, 2007

Ho Chunk Convention Center

Preventative Action

Diabetes Burnout

***For more information stay
tuned to the Nation's
Hocak Worak and fliers as
the event draws nearer!***

November Elders Birthdays

Cora Decorah
Gretchen Eagleman
Michael LaMere
Leona Davenport
Earl Topping
Carol Reise
Stanley Blackdeer
Delphine Blackcoon
Thomas Hopinkah
Charlotte Tipton
Tennyson Decora
Barbara Schaub

Gilman Lincoln Sr.
Lawrence Snowball Sr.
Margaret Pardina
Robert Yellowbank
Errol Whitewing
Martin Yellowbank
Luerne Tomhave
Vivian Barta
Louise Redcloud
Sharyn Whiterabbit
Myrtle Long
Eli Youngthunder
Alvin Rockman



Happy Belated Birthday

Elaina

Nov. 1st

28TH National Indian and Native American Employment and Training Conference April 15–20, 2007 Newport, Rhode Island



CONFERENCE ARTWORK SUBMISSION

To: American Indian and Native American Artisans

The 28th National Indian and Native American Employment and Training Conference will be held in Newport, Rhode Island and is requesting submissions of original artwork to be used as a logo for the conference. The artist whose work is chosen as the conference logo will be awarded cash payment of two hundred dollars (\$200.00).

Conference Theme:*Respect the Past – Live the Present – Build the Future*

Must be submitted by January 15, 2007.

Contact Ken LeMieux, HCN/DOL/477 PROGRAM Director; klemieux@ho-chunk.com

or (800) 294-9343, extension 1137 for entry form



November 20, 2006
Happy Birthday to
Andrea Davis
We are proud
of you Goo-Goo,
the beautiful young lady
that you are becoming.
Lots of Love
Chew & Daga Sanford
Baby Marlene

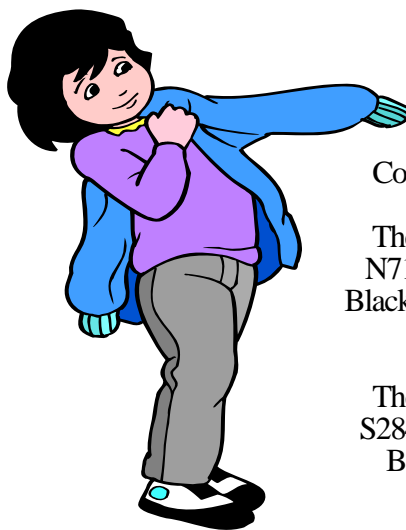
Coat Donation Drop Off Location:

Majestic Pines Casino
W9010 Highway 54 East
Black River Falls, WI 54615

Executive Building
W9814 Airport Road
Black River Falls, WI 54615

Whitetail Crossing Casino
27867 Highway 21 East
Tomah, WI 54660

Rainbow Casino
949 City Road G
Nekoosa, WI 54457



Sponsored by the friendly staff of Child and Family Services

Pick up Dates:

November 15th, Wednesday 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.November 16th, Thursday 8:00 a.m. – Noon

Coat Donation Drop Off Location:

Ho-Chunk Casino
Hotel Coat Check Desk
S3214 Highway 12
Baraboo, WI 53913

House of Wellness
S2845 White Eagle Lane
Baraboo, WI 53913

Coats will be available
for pick-up at:
The Community Center
N7160 Low Cloud Road
Black River Falls, WI 54615
Or

The House of Wellness
S2845 White Eagle Lane
Baraboo, WI. 53913

Halloween Party at Blue Wing Community Center

By Cookie La Mere
Design Director

On October 30, 2006, the annual Halloween party was held, at the Blue Wing Community Center in Tomah, Wisconsin. Tomah's Youth Services funded the party. They began the party with a Potluck meal that was started at 5:30 p.m. The costume contest was at 7:00 p.m. Everyone had a great time.



Winners

Hocak Worak to publish want ad section

Due to the lack of response to the want ad section the Hocak Worak, the first want ad section will be published in the November 22nd Issue. This service of the paper will not cost anything to enrolled tribal members as this service is exclusive to Ho-Chunk tribal members and their spouses. Tribal members may submit up to twenty words describing their item for sale. Be sure to include a price, and your contact information. Sale items are limited to tangible items only and not services as we have regular publishing rates for services. Submissions from professional businesses soliciting tangible items will not be accepted including L.L.C.s. Photos are reserved only for those members selling a vehicle. Tribal members wishing to include a photo of a vehicle for sale will be limited to one photo. The photo must be absolutely clear and bright. Photos that do not meet this standard will not be published. Members may send a digital photo meeting aforementioned standards via e-mail to the editor at wo-lduk@ho-chunk.com. Please send photo that is no less than 1 mega byte in size and 300 dpi (dots per inch) as a tiff file if possible, but a jpeg file may be used if necessary. If sending a hard copy photo and wish to receive your photo back, please include your mailing address. The Hocak Worak is not responsible for neither solicited nor unsolicited material. **The first deadline for want ad submissions will be 4:30 pm on Wednesday November 15, 2006. Deadlines after that will be the first the third Wednesdays of each month by 4:30 pm. Please try to get your submissions in earlier if possible as those submissions meeting the deadline may not be published if the paper is already full as mentioned in our disclaimer notice that is printed on the bottom of page two in every issue. If you have any questions, please contact the editor Paul Arentz at 1-800-294-9343 ext. 1005.**

VETERAN'S DAY POW-WOW

NOVEMBER 11-12, 2006

**Ho-Chunk Convention Center - Lower Dells Ballroom
Baraboo, WI**



GRAND ENTRY

**Saturday, November 11
1 p.m. and 7 p.m.**

**Sunday, November 12
1 p.m.**

DRUM CONTEST:

\$4,000, \$3,500, \$3,000, \$2,500

HAND DRUM CONTEST:

3-5 Singers MAX
\$600, \$400, \$200

PRINCESS CONTEST:

1st place: Laptop, crown & banner
2nd place: \$200
3rd place: \$100

DANCE CONTEST CATEGORIES:

GOLDEN AGE: 55 & OLDER
SENIOR ADULT: 35-54 YRS
JUNIOR ADULT: 18-34 YRS
\$700, \$500, \$200

TEENS: 13-17 YRS
\$200, \$100, \$75
JUNIORS: 6-12 YRS
\$100, \$75, \$50

TINY TOTS: 5 YRS & Under
Day Money

For More Information Contact

Paul 1-888-552-7889 Ext. 5513
Karen 1-888-685-4422 Ext. 5301

Vendor Information Contact

Tim 1-888-552-7889 Ext. 5619



Sponsored by: Ho-Chunk Nation, American Legion Post #556 and Auxiliary

POSSESSION/USE OF ALCOHOL AND DRUGS NOT PERMITTED ON PREMISES

POW-WOW COMMITTEE & HO-CHUNK NATION NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ACCIDENTS, THEFT OR LACK OF FUNDS

OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM

OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM

VETERANS, ACTIVE DUTY PERSONNEL

We are attempting to compile a list of active duty personnel; those that had served during Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom. We are assisting the coordinator of the Veterans Day Pow-wow in obtaining information for the Veterans Pow-wow that will be held this November. Your help is greatly appreciated!



NAME: _____

BRANCH OF SEVICE: _____

DATES OF SERVICE: _____

PLEASE CALL WITH INFORMATION TO: VETERANS AFFAIRS AT 715-284-4563
OR QUENTIN THUNDERCLOUD, POW WOW COORDINATOR, AT 608-372-9558
OR RANDY TALLMADGE AT 608-676-2235
INFORMATION MAY ALSO BE FAXED TO VETERANS AFFAIRS AT 715-284-5934

29th Annual Veterans Day Pow-Wow

The following article was used in the presentation of a monument to the Wisconsin Winnebago veterans who served in World War I. The monument is located at the Volk Field Headquarters; Camp Douglas, Wisconsin.

Sponsored by DORA: Descendants of the Red Arrow & Friends

The monument reads:

In Remembrance

Twenty-five Wisconsin Winnebago men volunteered for the First World War, serving in the 128th Infantry, Company D, 32nd Red Arrow Division; Mauston, Wisconsin. The fine example set by these men is worthy of exceptional praise because they were not even considered full fledged citizens of the United States at the time of their service.

Foster DeCorah and Robert DeCorah gave their lives on the battlefield on August 5, 1918. Their deaths were not in vain. The Nation exists today only because of the willingness of these brave men to preserve and protect their county by giving their lives in its defense.

The unselfish dedication to the preservation of freedom was in keeping with the highest traditions of the Winnebago Warriors and the United States Military Service.

In remembrance and with the utmost gratitude, this Memorial is humbly dedicated to the following Winnebago Veterans of World War I.

Robert Bigthunder
Andrew Blackhawk
James Brown
Allen DeCorah
Arthur DeCorah
Foster DeCorah (KIA)
Henry DeCorah
Robert DeCorah (KIA)
Russius DeCorah
William DeCorah
Nelson B. DeLaRonde
Andrew Funmaker
James Greengrass



James Haynka
Sam Little Soldier
Nett Longtail
George Miner
John Miner
William Miner
Mike Standing Water
Jesse Thompson
Sam Thunder Cloud
Archie White Eagle
John White Eagle
Martin White Bear
*Lyle Wright

*Lyle Wright was a very close friend of the Miner family and was considered a member of the family.

The Certificate reads as follows:

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME GREETINGS:

THE THANKS OF THE NATION IS EXTENDED THROUGH THE PRESIDENT, COMMANDER IN CHIEF OF THE ARMY AND NAVY OF THE UNITED STATES TO THE PEOPLE OF THE WINNEBAGO TRIBE IN WISCONSIN FOR THEIR UNSWERVING LOYALTY AND PATRIOTISM, THE SPLENDID SERVICE RENDERED, THE WILLING SACRIFICES MADE, AND THE BRAVERY OF THEIR SONS IN THE MILITARY AND NAVAL SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES WHEN THE NATION WAS IN PERIL DURING THE WORLD WAR OF 1917-1918.

JULY 4, 1924
SIGNED,
Calvin Coolidge
President

Saturday – November 11, 2006
At Volk Field, Camp Douglas, WI.

PROGRAM:

11:00 A.M.
Flag Raising
Color Guard-
Andrew Blackhawk Post 129

12:00 Noon
Meal
Provided by DORA

1:00 P.M.
POW-WOW
Keynote Speaker
James C. Greendeer,
Tribal Veterans Service Officer

Honoring:
Operation Iraqi Freedom
Operation Enduring Freedom
Veterans
Active Duty Personnel
since 2001

5:00 P.M.
Evening Meal

Throughout The Day:
FUND RAISING
DORA MEMBERS bring fundraising items

For more information: Quentin Thundercloud 608-372-9558
Randy Tallmadge 608-666-2235

Everyone Welcome

Host Drum:
Thundercloud Singers
also Open Drum



Specials:
Give aways
Veterans family songs